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An anonymous source furnished a press release dated 8/30/48 at Los Angeles, Cal. which stated that Shirley Graham was among the national sponsors of the Young Progressives of California which would hold its founding convention in Los Angeles on 9-18, 19-48.

Los Angeles rpt. 12/2/49
Re: Young Progressives of America
Young Progressives of Southern
California
IS-C
100-359192-122
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Shirley Graham, St. Albans, Long Island, New York, accepted an invitation from Ambassador Panyushkin to a celebration of the 32nd anniversary of the Great October Revolution. (1949)

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WFO rpt., 4/10/50
Re: Sodac-Washington, DC; IS-R
65-30092-3696, p.6
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An article entitled "Ask Ban on Red Books in Schools" from the 10/8/49 issue of the "NY Journal American" stated that a demand, by a self-appointed Committee of ten that books written by Communists and Communist apologists be banned by the Scarsdale Public schools, was stirring up a storm. Books by Shirley Graham were among those under fire.

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sent [redacted] of the Washington Bookshop, (Washington, DC) to Shirley Graham 113th Ave., St. Albans, Long Island, NY, regarding a speaking engagement at the Bookshop on 12/2/49.

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WFO rpt., 11/10/47
Re: Washington Bookshop Assoc.
aka; IS-C
100-24699-266
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Shirley Graham spoke at a mass rally "In Defense of Dignity" sponsored by the New York State Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions in protest against the conviction of the eleven CP National Board members which was held at Nicholas Arena NYC on 10/27/49.

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[redacted] and
"DW" and "Worker"
issues of Nov. 2,3,10,13, 1949
New York rpt., 3/23/50
Re: National Council of the
Arts, Sciences and Professions; IS-C
100-356137-613, p.16
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On 10/7/49 [redacted] of the CP of Virginia,
held a conference with [redacted] concerning the obtaining of
Shirley Graham to come to Richmond to speak on Oct. 30. (S)(u)

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On Oct. 28 [redacted]
[redacted] (S)(u)

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Richmond rpt., 2/7/51
Re: [redacted] wa; SM-C
100-189489-11
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A meeting sponsored by the Citizens Committee was held
10/30/49 at the Third Street Methodist Church in Richmond, Va.

Shirley Graham was the principal speaker and spoke of her trip to the Paris Peace Conference and the conviction of Communist leaders.

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Richmond rpt., 10/10/50

Re: [redacted]

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100-78148-54/

(29)-178148✓

SI 100-78148-53 (source not given)
(8)✓

SI 100-362160-3 (also spoke on her
(8)✓ trip to Germany)

On 11/4/49 Shirley Graham advised [redacted]
[redacted] of CRC that she had received a telegram
cancelling a very important meeting in Virginia at which she was
to speak. The organization had advised her they had not sent
the telegram cancelling the meeting but had received a telegram
advising of a death in her family. She in turn advised she had
not sent that telegram.

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[redacted]
New York ltr., 12/2/49

Re: Communist Party, USA; IS-C

100-3-3154

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SI 100-3-3196, p.43,84,113,114

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SI 100-3-4-6782, p.27,68,89,90

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An article entitled "Be Sure of Thanks-Give a Liberty
Book" edited by Merle Nance, carried a picture of Shirley Graham

and stated that her book "Your Most Humble Servant" was a selection of the month of the Liberty Book Club.

100-356782-A "Daily Peoples
(3) World" 11/23/49

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[redacted] furnished a Washington Bookshop announcement which indicated that Shirley Graham would speak at a meeting on 12/2/49 at Inspiration House, 1867 Kalorama Road, N.W. ^{Washington, DC} She was described in the announcement as a graduate of Oberlin College, a former Worker in the Federal Theatre, and as the author of a book entitled "Paul Robeson-Citizen of the World" and a Biography of Frederick Douglass which won the Julian Messner award for the best book combatting intolerance in America.

WFO rpt., 7/10/50
Re: Washington Bookshop
Association, aka; IS-C
100-24699-275, p.12
(20)✓
SI 100-344793-6
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The 1950 New York State Legislature Manual issued by the state of New York listed Shirley Graham as a member of the American Labor Party.

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Shirley Graham was a member of the CP.
(former [redacted])

New York rpt., 8/14/52
Re: Frederick Douglas
Educational Center; IS-C
100-393633-1, p.3,15
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Shirley Graham, New York, NY, signed an amicus curiae brief in behalf of the IWO, to be presented to Judge Greenberg in connection with liquidation proceedings.

In late 1950 Shirley Graham, St. Albans, Staten Island, signed an IWO petition addressed to Governor Thomas Dewey which requested him to withdraw the liquidation proceedings then pending against the IWO.

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[redacted] May 14, 1951
New York rpt., 1/14/52
IWO-National Organization;
IS-C, Internal Security Act of 1950
61-7341-1264 p. 149, 161
(41)✓

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On Jan. 12, 1950 [redacted] advised that Shirley Graham had received the second largest amount of votes in the Negro Commentator poll.

[redacted] Pretext interview with
[redacted]
of Voice of Freedom NYC)

Shirley Graham was a sponsor of the Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace and had given open support to Communist candidates in election campaigns.

(1949 report California
Committee on Un-American
Activities, pgs. 500 and 501)

New York rpt., 2/17/50
Re: Voice of Freedom Committee; IS-C
100-350608-27, p.20,22,23,71
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A mail cover on the address (not stated) of [redacted] during November 1949 reflected that Shirley Graham, 173-19 113 Ave., St. Albans, N.Y. was a correspondent of [redacted]

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[redacted] reported that Shirley Graham attended CP meetings and had been active in ALP election campaigns. (date not stated)

It was noted that she was a Negro authoress and was widely quoted in the "DW".

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NY memo 1/16/50
Re: [redacted] was.
SM-C
100-332113-21
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Shirley Graham was a signer of an open letter to Senators and Congressmen urging Defeat of President Truman's Arms Program. (Date not given.)

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[redacted]
New York rpt., 1/24/50
Re: Committee For Peaceful
Alternatives To the Atlantic Pact
aka; IS-C
100-364437-7, p.27
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Shirley Graham was on the staff of the Documentary Unit of CBS which was organized by [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] had been selected to direct the operation of infiltrating CBS by the Communist Cominform. Shirley Graham was a Communist according to information received by informant. "The Story of Phyllis Wheatley" by Shirley Graham broadcast 1/25/49, had a Communist slant and coincided with the Communist sponsored "Negro History Week." It drew applause from the "Voice of Freedom."

[REDACTED] reliability
unknown, who received information received from reliable source)

The story of Phyllis Wheatley by Shirley Graham, won great applause from the Voice of Freedom Committee and was used as a documentary with the sponsoring of Negro History week, a CP function held in 1949. Graham was a sponsor of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, a supporter of Communist book shops, had marched in the 1950 May Day Parade and was a sponsor of the 1947 and 1948 May Day Parades. She was a guest of honor at "Sunday Branch" on 3/5/50 at Manhattan Towers Hotel in NYC under the auspices of the Committee for the Negro in the Arts.

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(of known reliability)
Shirley Graham was a contributor to Masses and Mainstream. (G-2) declassified per Army's Ltr 12/14/92

Shirley Graham while a contributor to the Documentary Unit of CBS was publicized in the press as being connected with CP

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affairs and [redacted] made no effort to discontinue her services and never questioned her affiliations. Inft. believed persons like Shirley Graham would use [redacted] to promote Communism in the Govt.

[redacted]
[redacted] (reliability not stated)

Shirley Graham wrote the Jan. 25¹⁹⁴⁹ program of CBS in honor of Negro History week; supported CP nominees for public office in 1946; wrote for "Masses and Mainstream;" backed CP May Day Parade and many Communist fronts including US Congress of Intellectuals (for "peace"), which was held at Waldorf Astoria Hotel, NYC, in March.

(Article in July 1, 1949
Newsletter of "Counterattack"
concerning Cominfil of the
Documentary Unit of CBS)

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New York rpt.. 9/27/50

Re: [redacted]
aka, Special Inquiry-State
Department Public Law 402,
80th Congress (Voice of America)
123-5580-51, p.23,26,27,28,34,35,39,42
(27)✓

The "Daily Worker" of 3/5/50 reflected an article on the Committee For the Negro in the Arts which stated that the organization was holding a meeting on that date at the Manhattan Towers Hotel in New York City in honor of outstanding Negro Artists which included Shirley Graham, author.

New York rpt., 11/14/50

Re: Compic; IS-C
100-138754-681, p.14
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A notation on the front page of this serial stated
"Do Not Disseminate"

During the testimony of Hon. Joseph R. McCarthy US
Senator on 3/13/50 before the Sub-committee of the Committee on

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Foreign Relations on the subject of the State Department Employee Loyalty Investigation, exhibit #38 was produced which reflected that Shirley Graham was a sponsor of the African Aid Committee.

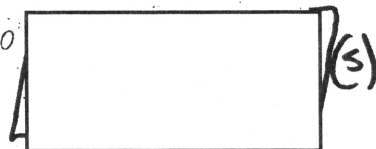
Bureau memo, 10/2/50
Re: Hearings Before a Sub-
Committee of the Committee
on Foreign Relations US Senate
(Tydings Committee) encl.
Parts 1, 2, and 3 of above
Hearings 81st Congress
121-23278-267X12, p.12

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SI 100-69266-210

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Shirley Graham was a signer of a letter which she sent to Mayor William O'Dwyer urging an investigation of [redacted] who had been known to make anti-Semitic and anti-Negro remarks. ("DW" 3/17/50, p.5, column 5)

New York Summary rpt. 12/31/52

Re: [redacted] wa; SM-C

100-397652-1

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SI 101-6597-19

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[redacted] Shirley Graham appeared on lists furnished by conf. inf. known to the Bureau, entitled "Partial list of Committee members" and ~~was~~ "List of Signers of a Petition to President Truman Urging Abolition of Jim Crow 'Silver Gold' Discrimination in the Panama Canal Zone."

WFO memo, 3/24/49

Re: Committee to End the Jim
Crow "Silver-Gold" System in the
Panama Canal Zone; IS-C; encl.
photostatic copies of above described
lists

100-360511-1, encl. p.5, 15

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WFO memo. 6/2/50

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A summary of minutes of a Peace Information Center Advisory Council meeting held at [REDACTED] (not identified) [REDACTED] reflected that Shirley Graham was present.

An organization letter #8 dated 8/31/50, ^{of the above Council} carried an attached list which reflected that Shirley Graham, writer, New York, was a signer of "In Defense For the Right to Speak For Peace."

New York memo, 12/18/50
Re: Peace Information Center; IS-C
Registration Act, encl. photostatic
copies of above described documents
obtained from O. John Rogge on 12/15/50
100-369492-29, encl. p.2,25

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SI 100-369492-110 (Source not indicated;
(22)✓ [REDACTED] identified

as [REDACTED]

Shirley Graham was Contributing Editor of "Masses and
Mainstream." (Editorial page of "Masses and Mainstream" Feb. 1950)

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Graham was Vice Chairman of the Committee to Aid the Fighting South, 530 West 112th St... NYC.

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New York rpt., 5/25/50
Re: United May Day
Committee, aka; IS-C
100-16912-135, p.11,80
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On 3/28/50 [redacted] advised that Shirley Graham was a writer and had written a documentary for the Columbia Broadcasting System.

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(of known reliability)

The "DW" of 1/29/49 reflected that Bob Lauter in his column "Around the Dial" reported that CBS on Jan. 25 had presented "The Story of Phyllis Wheatley", radio program, by Shirley Graham.

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[redacted] of CBS had been responsible for utilizing the services of Shirley Graham, pro-Communist writer and contributor to "Masses and Mainstream". (Army-G-2) (A) U declass. per Army file 12/4/76

Shirley Graham spoke at a testimonial dinner given by the Voice of Freedom Committee on 3/3/49 at Hotel Park Sheraton in NYC. (New York Conf. mail Box)

Shirley Graham was a sponsor of a Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace and had given open support to Communist Candidates in election Campaigns, according to pages 500 and 501 1949 rpt. of Calif. Committee on Un-American Activities.

Shirley Graham, biographer of Paul Robeson was a sponsor of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee and a supporter of a number of bookshops. She had also marched in the 1950 May Day Parade and was a sponsor of the 1947 and 1948 May Day Parades. She was a guest of honor at a "Sunday brunch" on 3/5/50 at the Manhattan Towers Hotel in NYC under the auspices of the Committee For the Negro in the Arts.

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(reliability not stated)

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The Oct. 1949 issue of "The Sign", Catholic magazine, carried an article captioned "Red Fronts in Radio" by author identified only as a "well known figure in the broadcasting industry". The article reflected a list of radio celebrities who had been cited in public records as having been associated with Communist causes or fronts. Shirley Graham, writer, was listed.

New York rpt., 7/13/50
Re: Communist Infiltration
of the Radio-Television Industry; IS-C
100-340922-226, p.13, 32, 33
(14)✓

A pencil notation on the front page stated, "Do Not Disseminate."

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100-185087-294
(18)✓

SI 100-346144-6 (Information Bulletin
(4)✓ of WFDY 8/18/50)

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The "DW" dated 5/29/50 contained a letter from S.A. [REDACTED] President of the Liberty Book Club, which showed a list of the club selections to date. "Your Most Humble Servant", the life of

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[redacted] by Shirley Graham, was listed.

New York rpt., 8/10/50
Re: Liberty Book Club; IS-C
100-356782-8
(26)✓

This reference is a request for information concerning the "Harlem Quarterly" magazine and its officers. Writer was interested in learning if they were connected with Communism. Shirley Graham was listed as a contributing editor to the magazine.

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Letter to the Bureau
dated 6/7/50
from [redacted]

100-0-24648
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An article entitled "Samuel Sillen off to Warsaw to Attend Polish Writers Congress" from the 6/21/50 issue of the "DW" stated that the "Political Prisoners Issue" would feature a reply by Shirley Graham to Ilya Ehrenborg's "Open Letter to Writers of the West" asking for support of the Stockholm Peace Pledge.

Serial described above
Re: Samuel Sillen, was; IS-C
100-333949-15
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Shirley Graham, author, New York City, appeared on a circular entitled, "Americans Who Have Signed The World Peace Appeal" which was issued by the Crusaders for Peace, at Philadelphia on 7/13/50 in connection with a rally which was held under the auspices of the CRC.

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Philadelphia memo, 8/24/50
Re: Civil Rights Congress,
IS-C, encl. above described
circular furnished by [redacted]
61-10149-1385, encl. p.3
(14)✓

Shirley Graham was a sponsor of the Committee For Peaceful Alternatives, ~~Mid~~ *Mid Century Conference for Peace, held at Chicago 5-29, 30, - 52.*

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Chicago rpt., 7/14/50
Re: Committee For Peaceful
Alternatives, aka,; IS-C
100-364437-36, p.32
(15)✓

The "Daily Peoples World" on 7/14/50, page 6, column 5, listed "Your Most Humble Servant" by Shirley Graham, for Liberty Book Club members for July.

San Francisco rpt., 10/20/50
Re: Communist Party, USA,
Dist. #13, San Francisco Office; IS-C
100-3-23-1383, p.109
(38)✓

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The records of the New York County Clerk's Office, NY reflected that a certificate of incorporation on behalf of ASP filed with the Secretary of State at Albany, NY, on 3/21/49 stated that Shirley Graham 173-19 113th Ave., St. Albans, NY, would be a Director of the Corporation until its first annual meeting.

The "DW" of 7/12/50 in an article entitled "ASP Meeting to Start Campaign to Free Fast" stated that Shirley Graham would chair a meeting at the Cornish Arms Hotel under the sponsorship of the Writing and Publishing Division of ASP. (date not stated) Fast was serving a jail sentence for contempt of the Un-American Activities Committee.

The "DW" of 7/18/50 contained a summary of the above meeting at which Shirley Graham stated, "Howard Fast has gone to jail for me."

New York rpt., 12/19/50
Re: National Council of the
Arts, Sciences and Professions,
Inc.; IS-C, Internal Security
Act of 1950
100-356137-661, p.8,86,87
(7)✓

On 8/10/50. [redacted]

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[redacted] (not identified)
Shirley Graham was identified as being present.

New York rpt., 10/16/50
Re: Peace Information Center; IS-C
Registration Act
100-369492-26, p.3,21
(16)✓
SI 100-114353-56
(10)✓
SI 100-369492-20 (encl. copy
(27)✓ of minutes)
SI 100-361031-145, p.5,42,74
(18,28)✓

By memo dated 10/4/50 C.I. [] advised that an informant of unknown reliability had told him on 9/28/50 that Shirley Graham and W.E.B. DuBois were among American CP members who had recently been in Switzerland.

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[] further advised that Shirley Graham was a Negro and a member of the National Non-Partisan Committee, NYC. She was a writer of biographical pieces and contributed to the New Century publications. She was believed to be the mother of [] Inft. said he obtained this information on Graham from the French publication "The Progressive American Culture," printed in Switzerland, and the Information Bulletin of the World Federation of Democratic Youth, published on 8/18/50 at Paris, France.

Above described memo encl. with
Legat memo, Paris, France 10/19/50
Re: CP, USA
IS-C and R
100-3-3490
(2)✓

Shirley Graham, writer, New York, was a signer of a statement entitled "In Defense of the Right to Speak for Peace" which appeared [] and addressed to the Office of Mayor, City Hall, Mobile, Ala.

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Mobile memo, 9/1/50 encl.
above letter
Re: [] SM-C
100-61-135
(26)✓

A Shirley Graham Progressive Party Rally for [] would be held on 10/30/50 (place not indicated).

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Richmond rpt., 10/5/50
Re: [] aka; SM-C
100-27846-8
(28)✓

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A letter dated 10/20/50 from NLCFP stated that the World Peace is definitely on...."Last week I heard Shirley Graham who had just returned from meeting with planners of the World Congress. She said that the other countries were very concerned about the United States. They see much clearer than we do the horrible close danger of war. They are anxious that outstanding peace workers from the Rank and File of the Trade Unions attend the Congress as well as trade union leaders."

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[redacted] Witness to introduce
above letter (Exhibit #106)
New York Supplemental Prosecutive
Summary rpt., 11/13/52
Re: National Labor Conference For
Peace; IS-C Internal Security Act of
1950
100-363436-204, p.28
(43)✓

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b7D Correlator's Note: The identity of [redacted] has never been disclosed. His use as a witness was left to discretion of the Bureau.

The name Shirley Graham appeared on a list entitled "Lists of those condemning verdict and demanding bail for "11" (B-demand bail only)" which was obtained by [redacted] from the building occupied by National Hdqrs., IWO, New York City.

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New York ltr., 11/22/50
Re: Communist Party, USA,
Miscellaneous Lists; IS-C,
encl. photostatic copy of
above described list
100-3-74-6273, encl. p.5
(15)✓

on China & World Peace [redacted] made available a program for the Emergency Conference held on 11/11/50 at the Hotel Brevoort, N.Y. The program listed Miss Shirley Graham, writer, New York City as a member of the Sponsoring Committee.

New York rpt., 4/16/51
Re: Emergency Conference on
China and World Peace, aka; IS-C
100-374693-7, p.10
(3)✓

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b2 On 11/14/50, [] advised that Shirley Graham reported
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Stern that evening.

New York rpt., 6/12/51
Re: Alfred K. Stern, et al
Espionage-R
100-57453-575, p.4
(23)✓

An article entitled "Women Leaders Hit Jailing of Cal. McCarran Victim" from the 11/24/50 issue of the "DW" stated that Shirley Graham was a signer of a telegram the day before protesting to Attorney McGrath against the illegal arrest and imprisonment of Miriam Stevenson, Progressive California woman leader in the Immigration Service.

106-3223-A
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[]
[] invited Shirley Graham and others, active
in the Peace movement, to discuss emergency steps in connection with
the war crises, at a meeting to be held on either 12/10, 11 or 18/50.
(Place not stated)

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New York rpt., 12/6/51
Re: Cominfil Into Episcopal
League for Social Action, aka; IS-C
100-371098-10
(6)✓
SI 105-0-3590, encl. []
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Shirley Graham was among the speakers at a Peace meeting on 12/12/50 at Grace Episcopal Church, Kew Gardens, Long Island, NY, sponsors unknown. Speakers asked for ban on atom bomb, cease fire order, withdrawal of troops from Korea and asked people to send telegrams to President Truman and the UN requesting such action.

Source not indicated
New York teletype, 12/13/50
Re: CP, USA, International
Relations; IS-C
100-3481-5075
(10)✓

A mimeographed news release, undated, issued by the American Committee For Protection of Foreign Born, which bore the heading "Women Protest Justice Department's Month-Long Detention of Mother Without Bail" listed Shirley Graham among those who protested the Justice Department's arrest and detention of Miriam Stevenson, held at Terminal Island, Los Angeles.

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New York ltr., 12/19/50, encl.
news release obtained by
on 12/11/50
Re: American Committee For
Protection of Foreign Born; IS-C
100-7046-578
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Louis Budenz had previously identified Shirley Graham as a concealed Communist in the Radio industry.

Bureau memo, 12/26/50
Re: Communist Party, USA; IS-C
Four Hundred Concealed Communists
Revealed by Louis Budenz; SM-C
100-63-391
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[redacted] advised in an interview on 4/13/53 that he recalled a couple of years ago [redacted] at which Shirley Graham spoke. The meeting was held in one of the local halls in Milwaukee, Wisc., somewhere on the northeast side of town.

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Milwaukee rpt. 4/16/53

Re: [redacted]

[redacted] wa; SM-C

100-319018-10

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The following was contained in Alfred K. Stern's personal address book under the heading, addresses and telephone numbers for California-1951: Dr. and Mrs. W.E.B. Du Bois
31 Grace Court-Brooklyn,
Main 4-2929.

No dissemination.

Anonymous source

New York rpt., 3/7/52

Re: Alfred K. Stern; et al

Espionage-R; IS-C;

Internal Security Act of 1950

100-57453-732, p. 5, 18

(55,80)✓

The "New York Legislative Manual" for the year 1951 reflected that Shirley Graham, 173-19-113th Avenue, St. Albans was on the Executive Committee of the American Labor Party.

New York rpt., 1/22/52

Re: Cominfil of the American

Labor Party; IS-C

100-25869-146, p. 6

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Shirley Graham was among leaders and sponsors who had frequently appeared on Communist front lists according to the 1/5/51 issue of "Counterattack."

New York memo, 1/18/51
Re: American Business Consultants
Inc. "Counterattack," Information
Concerning, encl. copy of above
described issue
100-350512-380, encl. p.2
(30)✓

An article from the 1/8/51 issue of the "Daily Worker" entitled "Books 'The Worker' liked in 1950" by Robert Friedman listed "The Story of Phyllis Wheatley" by Shirley Graham.

100-3-86-A
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✓ On 11/24/50 members of the Executive Committee of the Richmond Branch of the CP proposed the initiation of a Young People's Progressive Club. The initiation of this program would be through

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Richmond rpt., 1/27/51
Re: Communist Party, USA,
Dist. 26, Richmond Office; IS-C
100-3-49-304, p.19
(29)✓
SI 100-153486-100 ([REDACTED])
(29)✓ spelled [REDACTED]

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In reference to picketing activities at the White House Bureau Agents reported that Robert F. Hall, Washington Representative of the "DW" met Arthur Howard Fast, Richard Boyer and Shirley Graham at Union Station, Washington, D. C. on 1/30/51.

WFO rpt., 6/4/51
Re: Washington Committee to
Save the Martinsville Seven, aka; IS-C
100-375600-7
(19)✓
SI 61-10149-1593
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An article entitled "Du Bois Treated Like Criminal in Court" from the "DW" 2/19/51 stated that after being released on bond Friday and while awaiting arraignment, William E.B. Du Bois quietly chatted with Shirley Graham, to whom he was engaged to marry soon.

100-99729-A
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The 3/2/51 issue of "Counterattack" stated that on 3/1/51, the NYU School of Education Student Council sponsored a Negro in the Arts forum in honor of Negro History Week. The forum was advertised in the CP press. Shirley Graham who had a long, consistent Party-line record was a scheduled participant in the forum.

Copy of above described issue enclosed
with NY memo 3/6/51
Re: American Business Consultant, Inc.
"Counterattack," Information concerning.
100-350512-394
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The Washington Afro-American newspaper for Mar. 2 (1951) carried the story that Dr. Du Bois married Shirley Graham of St. Albans, NY, in NY, Feb. 27, and was leaving for a Caribbean honeymoon immediately.

WFO teletype, 3/3/51
Re: William Edward Burhardt
Du Bois; SM-C
100-99729-23
(10, 65, 88)

An article entitled "Gala Negro History Costume Ball At Harlem's Renaissance Casino, March 2." from the "DW" 2/19/51 stated that Shirley Graham, prominent New Yorker had been invited to act as judge to award prizes for the most authentic costumes at the Negro History Ball of the Committee for the Negro in the Arts. to be held on March 2, 1951.

100-3-75-A
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The "Daily Compass" of 3/25/51 carried an advertisement in the form of an open letter to Governor Thomas E. Dewey protesting the current legal action by the New York State Insurance Commission against the IWO. Shirley Graham St. Albans S.I. (Staten Island) was a signer of the letter.

New York memo, 3/28/51, encl.
copy of above described advertisement
Re: International Workers Order
National Organization; IS-C
61-7341-1227
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The April, 1951 issue of "Freedom" listed Shirley Graham as being on the editorial board of that newspaper.

Shirley Graham was a member of the CP.

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New York rpt., 2/12/53
Re: Freedom Associates,
Inc., aka; IS-C
100-378584-33, p.20,21,43
(55)✓

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b7D [redacted] advised on 1/6/51 that "Your Most Humble Servant" by Shirley Graham was recommended for reading for the Queens CP members during pertinent period.

At a meeting at [redacted]

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b7D According to [redacted] informant Shirley Graham was very close to the CP if not a CP member. [redacted]

New York rpt., 4/11/51
Re: Communist Party, USA
Dist. #2, New York Div.; IS-C
100-3-4-6978, p.50,62
(14)✓

Mrs. W.E.B. Du Bois was present at the Inaugural dinner of the Women's Division of the American Labor Party on 4/17/51 at Hotel Capitol, NYC.

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New York teletype, 4/18/51
Re: American Labor Party; IS-C
100-25869-132
(83)✓

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Shirley Graham appeared as treasurer on a pledge card of the Committee to Defend the Advocates of Peace, Room 311, 16 West 29th St., NY, which appeared in a leaflet entitled "Background material on the Indictment of Dr. W.E.B. ^{Dubois} and his associates of the Peace Information Center" furnished by NC-14 on 4/17/51.

Louisville memo (date missing
Block dated 5/14/51)
Re: Cominfil of the Progressive
Party, IS-C, encl. copy of above
described leaflet
100-357934-306
(30)✓

The April 20, 1951 issue of "Counterattack" stated that The National Committee to Repeal the McCarran Act, a new front, included among its officials and sponsors Shirley Graham, writer, and others who had long and continuing records of support for CP fronts.

Copy of above described
issue encl. with
New York memo, 4/24/51
Re: American Business
Consultants, Inc. Counterattack,
Information Concerning
100-350512-400
(30)✓

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b7D [] furnished a list of books recommended for use in connection with Negro History Week by the CP. The list included "Dr. George Washington Carver" by Shirley Graham, available at the International Book Store for \$2.75.

San Francisco rpt., 4/20/51
Re: Communist Party, USA,
Dist. #13, San Francisco Div.; IS-C
100-3-23-1454, p.123
(38)✓

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 reflected a check dated 4/26/1951 in the amount of \$50.00, payable to and endorsed by Shirley Graham of the Nat'l. Committee to defend Dr. W.E.B. DuBois & Assoc. in the Peace Information Center.

New Haven rpt., 6/11/1951
Re: Alfred K. Stern, Wa. Et al
Espionage - R
100-57453-574
(18)✓

The 5/2/51 issue of the "DW" contained an article captioned "Ninety Prominent American Women Plea For Willie McGee." Shirley Graham was a signer of a wire to President Truman in an appeal to save the life of McGee.

New York rpt., 9/20/51
Re: Communist Party, USA; IS-C
100-3-4100, p. 135
(15)✓

An article from the "DW" 5/3/51 entitled "A Better World" by Elizabeth Gurley Flynn stated that Shirley Graham was treasurer of the Defense Committee of Dr. Du Bois and his associates and would welcome contributions to their defense.

100-99729-A
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SI 100-380330-3 (letterhead 5/31/51
(23) of Nat'l Comm. to Defend
W.E.B. Du Bois)
SI 100-380330-10 (letterhead of Nat'l
(14)✓ Comm. to Defend Du Bois (date
not stated)

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[redacted] on 5/8/51 made available a list of books which were being given as gifts to members who were helping to build the Liberty Book Club. Listed was "Paul Robeson" by Shirley Graham.

NY rpt., 3/27/52

Re: Liberty Book Club; IS-C

100-356782-16

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Shirley Graham lectured on Negro life and history at a meeting on 5/18/51 held at the Teachers Center, 206 W. 15th St., NYC under the auspices of the UPWA.

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New York rpt., 3/28/52

Re: Cominfil of the United Public Workers of America; IS-C

100-344835-538, p.24

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Mrs. W.E.B. Du Bois was [redacted] according to [redacted] In early June 1951, Mr. and Mrs. Du Bois were in St. Paul, ~~Minn~~ connection with a meeting to be held at the Pilgrim Baptist Church to raise funds for Du Bois' trial on a charge of failing to register as an agent of a foreign principal. Since their appearance in St. Paul, [redacted] had been interested in the Peace Movement.

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[redacted] was reported to be [redacted] of Mrs. W.E.B. Du Bois who was in St. Paul in early June 1951.

(reliability not given)

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Mrs. and Mrs. Du Bois appeared at a meeting at the Pilgrim Baptist Church in June 1951 to raise funds for Du Bois' defense. Inft. had heard that Mrs. Du Bois was either [redacted]

(reliability not given)

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[redacted] stated that Mr. and Mrs. Du Bois spoke about the peace movement at a meeting at the Pilgrimage Church in June, 1951. [redacted] gathered from observation that some progressive or peace group was behind the meeting. Inft. advised it was rumored that Mrs. Du Bois and [redacted] (reliability not given)

Minneapolis rpt., 10/22/51

Re: [redacted]

[redacted] LGE

121-32799-5
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William Pennock announced on his broadcast 6/3/51 that W.E.B. Du Bois and his wife Shirley Graham would speak at Shipscaler's Hall, 2221 Third Ave., Seattle, ^{Wash.} June 8.

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The above described pro-Communist and anti-American meeting was held June 8.

Seattle rpt., 4/17/52

Re: William Jonathan Pennock;

IS-C, Smith Act of 1940

100-9856-72

(50, 62, 80)

SI par. 1 100-31172-117, p.145

(6, 67, 73)

SI par. 1 100-31172-86, p.117

(42)✓

SI 1/par. 100-31172-76, p.7

(2)✓

SI 2 par. 100-377391-560 (American Peace

(50, 71)✓ Crusade Meeting "Daily Peoples

World," 6/15/51)

SI 2 par. 100-387816-1 [redacted]

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[redacted] advised on 6/8/51 that Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois and wife Shirley Graham were in Seattle, ^{WASH.} on that date and that Du Bois was scheduled to speak that night at a public rally. Escort for Graham was [redacted] who was an admitted CP member.

Seattle teletype, 6/9/51
Re: American Peace Crusade; IS-C
100-377391-236
(29, 65)

Dr. William E. Du Bois and his wife whose pen name was Shirley Graham, were principal speakers at a meeting, ^{presented by the CP} at Norse Hall, 111 N.E. 11th Ave., Portland, ^{ORE.} on 6/11/51. Shirley Graham discussed the indictment of the National Officers of the Peace Information Center.

Portland Security informants,

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Portland rpt., 10/12/51
Re: [redacted] was; IS-C
Smith Act of 1940
IS Act of 1950
61-10493-105
(26, 68)

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SI 100-23144-19
(14)✓
SI 100-240406-22
(48)✓
SI 61-10149-2056 (CRC pamphlet furnished
(15)✓ by Sec. Inft. [redacted]
~~was scheduled to speak~~)
SI 100-380836-2 (meeting arranged by
(18, 68)✓ CP members in the American
Peace Crusade)
SI 100-381085-4
(6)✓
SI 100-388293-1
(47)✓

"The Worker" of 6/15/51, page 2, column 5, listed Mrs. G. Allen Fitch and Mrs. G. Linwood Fauntleroy, among others as sponsors of the ^{1937 Market St. Oakland, Cal.} East Bay reception Committee for Shirley Graham wife of W.E.B. Du Bois.

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San Francisco rpt. 10/27/51

Re: [redacted]
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Calif.; LGE
121-32421-13
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The CP sponsored a reception honoring Shirley Graham, wife of W.E.B. Du Bois on 6/16/51 at the McGee Avenue Baptist Church, 1640 Stuart St., Berkeley, California. [redacted]

The CP sponsored a meeting in honor of Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois at the Oakland Auditorium, Oakland, California, on 6/14/51.
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San Francisco rpt. 9/17/51

Re: [redacted]

[redacted] was; IS-C

100-247436-17
(P, 63, 76)
SI 100-369699-8
(40, 66)✓

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[redacted] advised on 6/13/51 that [redacted]
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for Shirley Graham.

Callie Frost was a sponsor of the scheduled appearance of Shirley Graham at the Magee Avenue Baptist Church, Berkeley, Calif. ("Daily Peoples World," 6/13/51)

Forty-four women community leaders and the ASP Council, were the sponsoring committee for Miss Graham. The reception Chairman was Callie Frost. ("Daily Peoples World," 6/15/51)

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[redacted] the reception
in honor of Shirley Graham June 16, 1951 at the Magee Baptist Church.

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b7C The reception mentioned above was sponsored and planned
b7D by the CP of the ^{California} East Bay Region and the majority of the participants
were Communists. [redacted]

The Fifth Report, Un-American Activities, in Calif. 1949,
pages 479-481 cited Shirley Graham as a sponsor of the Cultural and
Scientific Conference For World Peace held at the Waldorf Astoria
Hotel, 1/3/25-27/49. The conference was sponsored by ASP.

b7C San Francisco summary [redacted]
rpt. 7/2/52
Re: [redacted] SM-C
100-392505-2
(40)✓

b2 [redacted] a
b7C reception in honor of Shirley Graham held on 6/16/51 at the McGee
b7D Avenue Baptist Church, Berkeley, [redacted]
(Berkeley PD and [redacted])
[redacted] identified Shirley Graham as a CP member.

b2 San Francisco Summary
b7C rpt. 11/18/53
b7D Re: [redacted] aka; SM-C
100-406830-1
(45)✓

The "DW" dated 4/21/51 carried an article which stated that
Dr. and Mrs. W.E.B. Du Bois (Shirley Graham) planned to be present
in the courtroom in Washington, DC, on Apr. 22 in connection with the
indictment of Dr. Du Bois for failure to register as a foreign agent.

The "Daily Worker" for 5/31/51 set forth a schedule of a tour
organized by the Progressive Party for Dr. and Mrs. Du Bois which
was as follows: June 1, 2 and 3 Chicago, June 3, Mrs. Du Bois, South

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Bend, Ind., Dr. Du Bois, Gary, Ind.; June 4, 5, 6 Minneapolis, June 8 and 9 Seattle, ^{Wash.} June 10 and 11 Portland, Oregon; June 13, 14, 15 and 16 San Francisco, ^{Cal.} June 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 Los Angeles, June 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28 Texas and Okla.

b2 Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois and one Shirley, presumably Mrs. Du Bois
b7D nee Shirley Graham, arrived in Los Angeles on 6/17/51 to spend five days.

The "Amsterdam News" dated 3/3/51 carried a picture of Dr. W.E.B. and Mrs. Shirley Graham who were married on 2/27/51 at St. Albans, Long Island, NY.

New York rpt., 9/4/51
Re: Dr. William Edward Burhardt
Du Bois; SM-C
100-99729-33, p.15, 38
(6, 7B)

Shirley Graham discussed details of the indictment of the National officers of the Peace Information Center, New York City at a meeting on 6/18/51 at 111 N.E. 11th St., Portland, Ore.

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Portland Summary
rpt., 3/5/52
Re: Michael Loring,
wa; SM-C
100-340781-23
(54, 69)

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she wished to have Donald Alexander Gordon invited to the Shirley Graham luncheon at Ciro's on 6/22/51.

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Shirley Graham had arrived in Los Angeles the day before with her husband, W.E.B. Du Bois. ("Los Angeles Times," 6/19/51)

Los Angeles rpt., 9/4/51
Re: Donald Alexander Gordon,
was.; SM-C
100-19239-17
(16, 75)

An article entitled "Thousands Hail Dr. Du Bois in San Francisco, Oakland", from the "DW" 6/21/51 which bore the dateline San Francisco, 6/20/51 stated that Dr. Du Bois and his wife, Shirley Graham ended a three day speaking tour with a mass meeting at the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's hall, in San Francisco (date not indicated). Rallies were held at the Oakland Auditorium on Thursday night and in San Jose on Wednesday night. Receptions were given in Oakland for Miss Graham.

The meetings had the purpose of building support for the defense of Dr. Du Bois and to obtain delegates to the American Peoples Peace Congress opening in Chicago, June 29, 1951.

100-99729-A
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[redacted] made available a copy of the minutes of the National Negro Labor Council Continuations Committee Meeting of June 1, 1951 at which meeting it was decided that a meeting should be arranged with Miss Shirley Graham for June 20, 1951 at 4818 South Avalon, Los Angeles, Cal.

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A leaflet entitled "To All Shop Stewards and Shop Workers" which invited all persons to meet and hear Shirley Graham at the Crystal Tearoom, 4818 South Avalon on June 20, 1951 was made available by [redacted]

On June 20, 1951 the Los Angeles Negro Labor Council sponsored a meeting at the Crystal Tearoom to hear a lecture by Miss Shirley Graham at which 25 or 30 people were present.

(Exhibit 9) [redacted]

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Los Angeles rpt., 8/28/52
Re: Los Angeles Chapter,
National Negro Labor Council,
aka; IS-C
100-367632-213, p.7
(49, 67)

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The following information was obtained from "Confidential Notebook" by Vincent W. Hartnett (co-author of "Red Channels") which was copyrighted in 1951 and made available by [redacted]

SHIRLEY GRAHAM

Poetess, author (wrote biography of PAUL ROBESON; also wrote "Your Humble Servant," a biography of Benjamin Banneker), radio writer. An outstanding figure in propaganda work among American Negroes. Married (1951) to Dr. W.E.B. DUBOIS, "Peace Information Center" leader.

Reported as:

American Continental Congress for Peace	U.S. Sponsor. "Call to the American Continental Congress for Peace, Mexico City," 9/5-10/49.
Amicus Curiae Brief for Lawson & Trumbo	Signer, Petition to U.S. Supreme Court to review conviction of LAWSON & TRUMBO. <u>Alert</u> , 9/12/49.
Committee for Free Political Advocacy	Signer of statement. HUAC, <u>Review</u> , etc., p.47.
Committee for the Negro in the Arts	Guest of honor, Manhattan Towers Hotel, NYC, 3/5/50. NY <u>Daily Compass</u> , 2/16/50, p.23.
Committee to Aid the Fighting South	A vice-chairman (with EARL CONRAD). HUAC, <u>Testimony of Walter S. Steele</u> , p.141.
Communist Party USA	Signer of nominating petition. HUAC, <u>Review</u> , etc., p.36.

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Affiliated, Citizens Committee for ROBERT THOMPSON, and BENJAMIN J. DAVIS (Communist candidates). HUAC, Review, etc., p.41.

Supporter of GERHARDT EISLER (Comintern leader). HUAC, Review, etc., p.42.

Signer, Statement in behalf of the arrested Communist Party leaders, 8/23/48. HUAC, Review, etc., p.46.

Affiliated, May Day Parade, NYC, 1947, 1948. HUAC, Review, etc., pp.54,55.

Marshal and Marcher, May Day Parade, NYC, 1950. Special report.

Supporter of Communist bookshops. HUAC, Review etc., p.35.

George Washington
Carver School, NYC

Faculty member of this Communist school. HUAC, Testimony of Walter S. Steele, p.50.

International
Workers Order

Submitter, Amicus Curiae Brief to NY Supreme Court for IWO. Daily Worker, 6/18/51, p.8.

Joint Anti-Fascist
Refugee Committee

Affiliated. HUAC, Review, etc., p.28.

Masses and Mainstream Contributing Editor. M-M, 10/48, p.1. (MORE)

Masses and Mainstream Chairman of Meeting, Lecture by V.J. JEROME (Chairman, Cultural Commission of the Communist Party USA), Hotel Capitol, NYC, 2/3/50. Daily Worker, 2/3/50, p.8.

National Committee to
Defend the Rights of
the Communist Party
Leaders

Sponsor. American Legion Summary, Vol. III, No. 9, Special Report, September 1949, p.2.

National Council of
the Arts, Sciences
and Professions

Signer, Writers for Wallace. Leaflet.

Signer, ad, "We Are For Wallace," NY Times, 10/20/48.

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Sponsor, Meeting to Abolish the House Un-American Activities Committee, Hotel Commodore, NYC, 1/9/49. NY Journal-American, 12/30/48.

Signer, Statement opposing Maryland anti-Communist Legislation. HUAC, Review, etc., p.37.

Sponsor, Scientific and Cultural Conference for World Peace, NYC, 3/25-27/49. Program.

Progressive Citizens of America Affiliated. HUAC, Review, etc., p.33.

Progressive Party Speaker, Rally, Embassy Auditorium, Los Angeles, 6/21/51, auspices Independent Progressive Party. National Guardian, 6/13/51,

Stop Censorship Committee Sponsor, Meeting, Hotel Astor, NYC, 3/23/48. Daily Worker 3/26/48, p.3.

Voice of Freedom Committee Affiliated. HUAC, Review, etc., p.35.

World Congress for Peace, Paris, France, 4/20-23/49. Sponsor, HUAC, Review, etc., p.11

Committee for the Negro in the Arts Signer of Letter accompany Call to a Conference on "Radio, Television, and the Negro People," 7/9/49, Hotel Theresa, NYC. Daily Worker, 6/29/49, p.11.

National Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions "Honored Guest," "Fight for Peace" Luncheon, Esser House, NYC, 5/10/49, auspices The Women's Committee, NCASP. Official invitation.

New York memo, 1/16/52
encl. photostatic copy of
above described book
Re: Confidential Notebook
by Vincent Hartnett
94-41233-7, encl. p.105

(61) SI 100-3-75A "DW" 1/15/50 (26)
Correlator's Note: [redacted] requested that the information be kept strictly confidential by the Bureau.

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On June 21, 1951 the IPP held a rally at the Embassy Auditorium, featuring W.E.B. Du Bois and his wife Shirley Graham.

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Los Angeles rpt., 12/4/52
Re: Cominfil of the Progressive Party (known in California as the Independent Progressive Party) (IPP); IS-C
100-357934-730, p.32
(40, 67, 81)

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b7D A reception sponsored by the Independent Progressive Party was given for Dr. Du Bois and his wife Shirley at the Elk's Hall, 4016 South Central Ave., on June 17, 1951.

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b7C [redacted] furnished a handbill, issued by the Independent Progressive Party, which organization sponsored a mass meeting featuring Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois and Shirley Graham on June 21, 1951.
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The Southern California Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions gave a luncheon on June 22, 1951 at Ciro's, 8433 Sunset Boulevard, in honor of Shirley Graham also known as Mrs. W.E.B. Du Bois

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Los Angeles rpt., 12/11/51
Re: Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois; IS-C
100-99729-40
(15, 62, 75)
SI par. 3 100-392641-1 [redacted]
(40)✓
SI par. 3 105-12686-112, p.13
(60)✓

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b7D A "Report to the Membership by the Board and Officers of the NCASF at the Annual Membership Meeting, 3/30/50" which was furnished by [redacted] reflected that Shirley Graham was a member of the Board of Directors.

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The same information was furnished by [] for the membership meeting 4/5/51.

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(of known reliability)
On Nov. 14, 1947 Shirley Graham contributed \$1.00 to the "DW".

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Shirley Graham attended a reception in honor of Benjamin J. Davis, Jr. held 1/16/49 at Hotel Theresa, NYC.

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W.E.B. Du Bois, the husband of Shirley Graham was a Communist.

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[] made available the minutes of a meeting of the NCASF on Oct. 10, 1950 held in the office of the National Council, NYC, which reflected that Shirley Graham was excused from attending.

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On [] stated at a meeting of the Olympic Club of the Los Angeles County CP that Shirley Graham was "an old Timer in the Party" and had worked long and hard in its behalf.

New York rpt., 5/15/52
Re: National Council for
American Soviet Friendship; IS-C
Internal Security Act, 1950
100-146964-1666, p.6,9,12,17,18,30
(51)(67)(68)(74)(79)

The June 29, 1951 issue of "Counterattack" stated that W.E.B. Du Bois and his wife Shirley Graham, with long front records, were among 200 people described as notables by CP press who filed brief with NY State Supreme Court two weeks ago asking dismissal of the petition to liquidate the IWO.

Copy of above described
publication encl. with
New York memo, 7/5/51
Re: American Business Consultants
Inc., Counterattack, Information
Concerning
100-350512-417
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The "Committee to Hear Dr. Du Bois" sponsored a meeting on 7/11/51 at the Norse Hall, Portland, Ore. at which W.E. Du Bois and his wife, Shirley Graham, were principal speakers. Graham described the indictment of her husband as a violation of civil rights and an indication of a trend toward fascism in the US.

The Inft. stated that the arrangements for the meeting were made by persons known to him to be past or present CP members and the meeting was sponsored in the above described way to avoid Du Bois connection with any particular organization.

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[redacted]
Portland rpt., 9/26/51
Re: Communist Party, USA,
District #11, Portland Div.; IS-C,
Internal Security Act of 1950
100-3-21-454, p. 17
(17)✓

A mail cover on the residence of [redacted]
[redacted] received correspondence from S. Du Bois,
409 Edgecombe Ave., New York 32, NY, on 7/13/51.

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New York rpt., 12/29/52
Re: [redacted] IS-R
IS Act 1950
100-87638-129
(6p, 6#)

The table of contents of the September 1951 issue of "The German American" Volume X No. 6 included "A Peace Plan From the USA" by Shirley Graham.

Translation of above table of
contents encl. with
Philadelphia memo, 10/1/51
Re: The German American;
IS-C
100-279704-196, encl. p. 2
(13)✓

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Shirley Graham was a featured speaker at a meeting (type not stated) at Mt. Zion Church, 1007 W. Brown St., Milwaukee, Wisc. on 9/11/51.

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Milwaukee Summary rpt., 2/27/52

Re: [redacted] IS-C

100-12976-35, p.32

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SI 100-13646-37

(56)✓

SI 100-21601-355, p.12

(23)✓

SI 100-8310-23 [redacted]

(date not indicated)

(55)✓

SI 100-37323-19, p.11 (CP meeting)

(58)✓

SI 100-182139-16

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SI 100-319018-6

(57)✓

SI 100-319018-9 (source not indicated)

(54)✓

SI 100-366317-9 [redacted]

(6)✓

SI 100-366556-13

(53)✓

SI 100-369270-5

(45)✓

SI 100-369324-11

(52)✓

SI 100-370392-22

(41, 69)✓

SI 100-370198-4

(30)✓

SI 100-370365-4

(47, 68, 79)✓

SI 100-370228-6

(42)✓

SI 100-375549-3

(20)✓

SI 100-376372-8 (Spoke on Peoples
(58)✓ Information Center)

SI 128-4405-8 (spoke on Peoples
(43)✓ Information Center)

The July 1952 issue of "M and M" reflected that Shirley Graham was a contributing editor of the publication.

b2 On 9/12/51 [] made available a translation of an
b7D article from the "Literary Gazette" of July 14, 1951, which was published in Moscow. The article, entitled "Masses and Mainstream-Fighter for Peace" by M. Mendelson, stated that the high standard creative work of "Masses and Mainstream" was shown by the editors and contributing editors, among whom was Shirley Graham who wrote a friendly reply to Ilya Ehrenburg's open letter to writers in the West.

New York rpt., 8/4/52

Re: Masses and Mainstream; IS-C

100-354634-29, p.3,9

(42)✓

Shirley Graham, wife of Dr. W.E.B. Du Bois had been in town three or four days prior to a meeting held in defense of Dr. Du Bois on Sept. 16, 1951 at the Negro Bethel A.M.E. Church, Detroit, which was sponsored jointly by the Committee to Welcome Dr. Du Bois and the Michigan Council for Peace. She was constantly with Mattie Lee Hawkins.

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Detroit Supplemental Summary
Report. May 12, 1954

Re: [] aka; IS-C

100-233963-32

(51, 66, 81)

SI 100-365238-100 (Michigan Council
(23)✓ for Peace letter

dtd. 10/8/51 furnished
by []

The Oct. 1951 "News of Peace" issued by Michigan Council for Peace reflected that Dr. W.E.B. DuBois and his wife Shirley Graham spoke to an audience of 800 people at Bethel AME Church in Detroit on Sept. 16, 1951. Miss Graham attacked the Japanese War Treaty. During her visit to Detroit she addressed among other groups Local #600 - UAW - CIO Women's Auxilliary #233, where she appealed to the women to organize and wait for peace.

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Rpt. of Conf. inf. [redacted]
Nov. 24, 1951, Detroit, Mich.
encl. copy above described
"News of Peace"
100-365238-102
(49)
SI 100-365238-104 ("News of
Peace" Dec. 1951 furnished
by [redacted]
(49, 67)
SI 100-379065-5 p.14 [redacted]
(55, 66, 80)

On 9/27/1951 informant furnished a copy of a letter sent out by the "Initiating Committee of the Sojourn for Truth and Justice to Washington". The letter was dated 9/17/1951 and enclosed "A Call to Negro Women" which stated it was time for Negro women to address the government for redress of grievances. Shirley Graham was listed as a member of the Initiating Committee.

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[redacted]
[redacted] (of known reliability)

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The initiating committee of fourteen Negro women leaders which included Shirley Graham issued "A Call to Negro Women" to join in a "Sojourn for Truth and Justice" to Washington, D.C. on Sept. 29 - Oct. 1, 1951. Shirley Graham was either a CP member or sympathetic toward the CP.

[REDACTED]

New York Rpt., 10/19/1951

Re: Communist Party, USA

IS-C

100-3-4124, p.124,140

(21)✓

SI 100-3-4-7055, p.77,93

(10)✓

SI par. 2 100-3-59-1102 p.26

[REDACTED]

(19)✓

SI par. 2 100-3-78-288

(Source not indicated)

(30)✓

SI par. 2 100-384225-2

[REDACTED]

(source not indicated)

(17)✓

SI par. 2 100-384225-4

(Source not indicated)

(29)✓

SI par. 2 100-384225-43

[REDACTED]

(52)✓

SI par. 2 100-384225-50

[REDACTED]

former CP member (reliability not given)

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SI par. 1 100-384225-80, p.3

[REDACTED]

(49)✓

SI par. 1 100-383973-1

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Shirley Graham, wife of W.E.B. DuBois, was a speaker on Sept. 19, 1951 at a planning meeting (place not indicated) for the DuBois meeting. [redacted]

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Approximately 2000 people attended or attempted to attend the DuBois meeting held on Sept. 20, 1951 at the New Hope Baptist Church. ~~Denver, Ill.~~ Shirley Graham was a speaker. She outlined the purpose of the Peace Information Center of New York and stated the Soviet Union stood for peace. [redacted]

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Denver Rpt., 10/30/1951
Re: Communist Party, USA,
District 19, Denver Division
IS-C

100-3-37-371, p.30

(2, 65, 75)

SI par. 2 100-180986-8

[redacted]
(56)✓

SI/par. 2 100-350541-36 p.26

(8, 65, 75)

SI par. 2 100-361578-14 p.13

[redacted]
(56)✓

SI par. 2 100-388079-1

[redacted] meeting sponsored
by Civil Rights Congress)

(8, 62)

SI par. 2 100-396551-1

[redacted]
(60, 62, 72)

SI 100-361129-58 p.24

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(75)✓

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Shirley Graham spoke at a meeting on Sept. 19, 1951 at the Glenarm YMCA, Denver, Colo., which was a planning meeting for the DuBois meeting which was held on Sept. 20. She spoke regarding the jailing of Dr. DuBois because of his connection with the Peace Information Center. ()

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A meeting was held on Sept. 20, 1951 at Goodhope Baptist Church, Denver which featured Shirley Graham and her husband, Dr. W.E.B. DuBois. Graham spoke regarding the Peace Information Center. ()

Denver Summary Rpt. 4/30/52
Re: () was.
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100-390758-2
(55)

SI par. 1 100-325065-18 p.27

(56, 71)

SI 100-412410-1

(41, 72, 88)

SI par. 1 100-374243-6

(56, 72, 73)

SI par. 1 100-376049-8

(56, 73)

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The 1950 New York State Legislative Manual, listed Shirley Graham as a member of the State Executive Committee of the American Labor Party.

Shirley Graham was a CP member.

(Former [redacted])

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Shirley Graham was a member of the Initiating Committee of Sojourners for Truth and Justice.

[redacted] 9/21/51)

NY Rpt., 6/25/1952

Re: Sojourners For Truth and Justice

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100-384225-57

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The "Pittsburgh Courier" dated Sept. 22, 1951 contained an article entitled "Nearly 1000 Detroiters Hear Peace Plea From Dr. DuBois" (date and place not indicated). Mrs. DuBois (author, Shirley Graham) reviewed the indictment of DuBois. The session was sponsored by the Michigan Council For Peace.

Shirley Graham spoke at a meeting sponsored by the Michigan Council For Peace held on July 16, 1951 at Bethel A.M.E. Church, Frederick and St. Antoine Streets, Detroit. Her speech concerned the Peace Information Center.

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Detroit Rpt., 3/3/1952

Re: Michigan Council For Peace; IS-C

100-379431-4

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Dr. W.E.B. DuBois and his wife Shirley Graham were featured speakers at a Key to Peace Rally held Sept. 22, 1951 at the Arcade Ballroom, West 35th Street, Chicago, sponsored by the American Peace Crusade.

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Police Dept. b7D
Chicago Rpt., 12/23/1952
Re: [redacted]

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SM-C
100-363709-9
(40, 66, 77)

"The Worker", Illinois edition, Sept. 23, 1951, page 8, column 4, carried an article entitled "Mass Rally To Hear Dr. DuBois, Shirley Graham". This was representative of articles which had appeared in the local Communist Press relating to current international affairs.

Chicago Rpt., 10/20/1951
Re: Communist Party, USA,
District #8
IS-C
100-3-14-3419 p.40
(6)

Shirley Graham was listed on [redacted] a letter dated [redacted]. The letter, signed by [redacted] of the Preparatory Committee, invited the recipient to meet on Oct. 3, 1951 at 1 West 89th St., Apt. 4W, for the purpose of forming a Committee to Defend V.J. Jerome (convicted CP leader) and for cultural and intellectual freedom.

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New York Rpt., 12/28/53
Re: Committee to Defend
V.J. Jerome
IS-C
100-403041-2
(40)✓

An article entitled "For The Defense of Peacemakers" by Shirley Graham, and an editor's note concerning her writings, appeared in the Oct. 1951 issue of "New World Review". The article was in support of W.E.B. DuBois, who was identified as her husband. A copy of the publication was made available by [redacted]

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Detroit memo, 11/8/1951 encl.
copy of above described publication
Re: New World Review
IS-C
61-7374-299
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SI 61-7374-324, p.32
(43)✓

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Shirley Graham had been active in the CA up to the present time. She was married to William E.B. DuBois on 2/7/51 and was serving as treasurer of the National Committee for the Defense of W.E.B. DuBois on 10/6/1951. She was reported by [redacted] in 1947 to have addressed a meeting of the George Washington Carver School located at 67 W. 125th St., NYC.
(Review of N.Y. file)

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New York memo, 10/27/1952
Re: [redacted] was.
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100-34447-165
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During the testimony of [redacted] before the McCarron Sub-Committee of the Senate Sub-Committee of the State Committee on the Judiciary on Oct. 19, 1951 at Washington, D.C. he stated when asked if he knew Shirley Graham, that CBS in connection with Negro History Week had retained her to write a script based on her book.

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New York Memo, 12/22/1953
Re: [redacted] wa.
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100-288545-15
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